November 27, 1963

Mr. J. E. Curry Chief of Police

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I should like to submit the following report regarding the incident occurring in the basement on Hovember 24, 10%.

I was on the ramp when the truck was backed in to take the prisoner to the County Jeil. I was accompanied by Chief Batchelor. The Deputy Sheriff opened the rear door of the truck and a Neith bottle fell out and broke. Chief Batchelor and I searched the truck completely, found one coke bottle, and planned seating arrangement in the truck.

We had just finished and I was still facing the truck and outside to see if all officers were in their place when I heard one shot. Immedia.ely I locked around and saw a southle. I was not some that the prisoner was being brought out at that time.

I immediately ran down to try to be of assistance. Several officers had Ruby down and were handcuffing him.

Respectfully submitted,

V. S. Smart Lieutenant

Criminal Investigation Division